### **SONG INSPIRATION VIDEO**

"Be Me" Black Alley

# **Activity Summary**

Students watch the video to learn about the cultural historical importance of the song, *Be Me*.

# **Associated Video**



"Song Inspiration Video"

thelyricsproject.org/package/black-alley

## **Lesson Plan**



- 1. Print the second page of this activity for all students.
- 2. Ask students to read the questions and take notes while they watch the video.
- 3. Play the video once while students take notes.
- 4. Tell students to check their answers with their partner and then play the video again so they can listen again.
- 5. After listening a second time, check the answers as a class.

# **Online Tip**



This activity can be easily replicated online. Students can discuss their answers with their classmates in breakout rooms.



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Read the following questions. Then, watch the video about the inspiration for the song *Be Me* to help you answer the questions. Take notes while you watch the video.

1.	The band Black Alley is based in Washington D.C. What do you think <i>based</i> means?
2.	Kacey said the band does not want to be put inside a box. What do you think put inside a box means?
3.	The band does not want to be a carbon copy of other bands. What do you think <i>carbon copy</i> means?
4.	Black Alley has been pressured to look or sound more mainstream. What do you think <i>mainstream</i> means?
5.	The style of trap rock music is a niche. What do you think <i>niche</i> means?